

## **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings , of claims in the application:

### **Listing of Claims:**

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): An injection molded article comprising:

a resin composition containing comprising:

- (A) a lactic acid based resin; and
- (B) a natural fiber that contains 40 mass% to 60 mass% of cellulose, 10 mass% to 30 mass% of lignin,

wherein the resin composition contains the lactic acid based resin (A) and the natural fiber (B) in a mass ratio of 99:1 to 70:30, and the lactic acid based resin (A) has a resin composition ratio of L-lactic acid:D-lactic acid=100:0 to 97:3, or L-lactic acid:D-lactic acid=0:100 to 3:97.

Claim 2 (Original): The injection molded article according to claim 1, wherein the resin composition has a crystallization heat peak temperature (Tc) of 100°C or more.

Claim 3 (Currently Amended): The injection molded article according to claim 1 ~~or 2~~, wherein the injection molded article has a deflection temperature under load of 133°C or more.

Claim 4 (Currently Amended): The injection molded article according to ~~any one of~~ claims 1 ~~to~~ 3, wherein the injection molded article is formed after kneading a coated substance obtained by impregnating the natural fiber (B) in the lactic acid based resin (A), with the lactic acid based resin.

Claim 5 (Original): The injection molded article according to claim 4, wherein the injection molded article is formed after kneading a coated substance obtained by impregnating the natural fiber (B) in the lactic acid based resin (A) by drawing, with the lactic acid based resin.

Claim 6 (Deleted Canceled)

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Claim 9 (Deleted Canceled)

Claim 10 (Deleted Canceled)

Claim 11 (Original): A method for producing injection molded article, comprising the steps of:  
forming pellets of a coated substance after impregnating a natural fiber (B) in a lactic acid based resin (A) by drawing;.

adding a further portion of the lactic acid based resin (A) to the pellets of the coated substance and kneading the resultant mixture to form pellets; and

forming an injection molded article from the pellets obtained after the kneading.